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REMARKS

Claims 1, 3-7, 11-14, and 35-39 are pending in the above-captioned application. Claims 2, 8-10, and 15-34 have been cancelled. Claims 1, 3, 7, 11, 36, and 38 have been amended. Claims 1, 7, 36, and 38 are in independent form.

Applicant has amended the specification to more clearly set forth the invention. Support for the amendments to the specification are clearly shown in the drawings as originally filed.

In response to telephone communications with the Examiner on September 28, 2009, Applicant has amended claims 1, 36, and 38 to include the limitation "the torque lock having at least a portion of non-circular cross-section adapted for engaging and locking at least a portion of the torque lock portion of the tool shaft to prevent rotation of the torque lock portion of the tool shaft in the torque lock."

Similarly, Applicant has amended claim 7 to include the limitation "the torque lock having at least a portion of non-circular cross-section adapted for engaging and locking at least a portion of the torque lock portion of the burr shaft to prevent rotation of the torque lock portion of the burr shaft in the torque lock."

Further, Applicant has amended claims 36 and 38 to include the limitation "a torque lock independent of and axially spaced from the tool retaining arrangement."

Similarly, Applicant has amended claim 7 to include the limitation "a torque lock independent of and axially spaced from the burr retaining arrangement."

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It is respectfully submitted that this patent application is in condition for allowance, which allowance is respectfully solicited. If the Examiner has any questions regarding this amendment or the patent application, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned.

Respectfully submitted,



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